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☞ *The figures prefixed mark the number of Sederunts at which Members were present*

NOTE.—Congregations Bracketed are under one Minister.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
13 James Skinner....	13 John Whillans....	Eng. Settlement..	Birr.
" "	13 James Fraser.....	Bethel	
A. W. Waddell....		Harwich	Ridgetown.
13 Wm. Inglis.....	Thomas Henning..	Westminster.....	London.
J.J.A. Proudfoot, *Clk.*	13 Alexander Smith..	London	London.
10 Wm. Caven.....	James Logie.....	St. Mary's.....	St. Mary's
Wm. Walker.....	James Simpson.....	Chatham	Blanshard.
Wm. Deas.....	James Thompson..	Adelaide	Chatham.
" "	Robt. Gilleland....	Warwick.....	Wisbeach.
10 John Fotheringham	William Edward..	Hibbert.....	Kirkton.
9 Robert Hamilton..	James Muir.....	Downie	Avonbank.
" " ..	John Cavan.....	Fullarton	
11 Stephen Balmer...	John Bain.....	Woodstock	Woodstock.
13 Wm. Fletcher.....	Robert Morton....	Carlisle	Falkirk.
	James Ross.....	Detroit	Detroit, Mich.
		Windsor	Windsor.
		Florence	Florence.
		Nissouri, West.....	St. Ives.
		Nissouri, North.....	"
		Fish Creek	Fish Creek.
		Grant Co., Wis.....	"

II. PRESBYTERY OF FLAMBORO.'

13 Thomas Christie ..		West Flamboro'....	West Flamboro.'
13 And. Ferrier, D.D.	12 John Knox.....	Caledonia	Seneca.
" " "		Oneida	
" " "		Indiana	
Alex. Ritchie.....	10 Wm. Richmond...	West Dumfries.....	Ayr.
13 John Porteous, *Clk.*	13 Robert McQueen..	Beverly.....	Kirkwall.
13 Wm. M. Christie ..	13 James Walker....	Chippawa	Chippawa.
" " ..	James Findlay.....	Crowland.....	
5 Wm. Dickson.....		Thorold.....	Thorold.
" "		Drummondville ..	
13 Wm. Ormiston, M.A.	13 James Pollock....	Hamilton	Hamilton.
12 John Lees.....	10 Hugh Morwick....	Ancaster Village.	Ancaster.
	12 James Young.....	Ancaster West...	
	John Renton.....	Ancaster East....	
	13 Robert Christie...	St. George.....	Rosebank.
		Dundas	Dundas.

III. PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

13 J. Taylor, D.D., M.D.	11 William Ker.....	Toronto, 2nd	Toronto.
13 Alex. Kennedy....	8 John Parker.....	Dunbarton & Canton	Dunbarton.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO (Continued.)

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
13 Wm. Fraser.....	13 John Cerswell....	W'st Gwillimbury	Bond Head.
" "	13 Thomas Saunders.	E-sa	
8 David Coutts.....	6 Andrew Buckham	1st Chinguacousy.	Mayfield.
" "	6 James Bulmer....	2nd Chinguacousy	
13 John Jennings, D.D.	4 James Robertson.	Toronto, 1st	Toronto.
8 Peter Glassford....	3 Andrew Riddell..	Vaughan.....	Coleraine.
" "	John Dalziell.....	Albion.....	
12 James Dick, *Clk*...	7 James Jenkins....	Richmond Hill...	Richmond Hill.
" "	12 Henry Stewart...	King	
13 John Baird, M.A...	William Wilkie...	Ebenezer Church..	Claremont.
		Pickering.....	
" "	7 Adam Spears.....	Claremont.....	
11 J.F.A.S.Fayette,	John Austin.....	Tecumseth.....	Tottenham.
8 Jas. Pringle, [M.A.	7 Peter Chisholm...	Brampton & Tor. Tp.	Brampton.
5 Alex. McFaul.....	Samuel Johnston..	Caledon.....	Caledon.
" "	Thos. R. Buckham.	Orangeville	
		Tecumseth, 2nd....	Tecumseth.

IV. PRESBYTERY OF CANADA EAST.

14 W. Taylor, D.D., *Clk*	2 George Rogers...	Montreal.....	Montreal.
12 John Morrison.....	Thomas Rutherford	Madrid	Waddington, N. Y.
13 James Watson.....	William White....	Huntingdon	Huntingdon.
11 John Mackie.....	John McOuat.....	Lachute.....	Lachute.
	John Murray.....	New Glasgow.....	New Glasgow.

V. PRESBYTERY OF DURHAM.

11 James Macintosh..	James Givern.....	Amherst Island	Amherst Island.
13 R. H. Thornton, *Clk*	13 Alexander Burnet.	Whitby	Oshawa.
5 John Cassie.....	3 John Lees.....	Port Hope.....	Port Hope.
7 George Lawrence..		Clarke	Orono.
13 William Aitken...	George Foster ...	Smith's Falls.....	Smith's Falls.
Robert Monteath..	John McGill.....	Prince Albert	Prince Albert.
5 John Ewing.....	4 William Best.....	Emily	Mount Pleasant.
5 James R. Scott....	3 Samuel Martin...	Perrytown.....	Perrytown.
John Scott		Napanee	Napanee.
13 John M. King.....	11 John Ratcliff.....	Columbus	Columbus.
11 George Riddell ...	11 William Starke...	Newton & Newcastle	Clarke.
	William Taite.....	Pakenham	Pakenham.
		Arnprior	Arnprior.
	John Robertson...	Fitzroy Harbour.	Fitzroy Harbour.
		Tarbolton	

VI. PRESBYTERY OF WELLINGTON.

10 William Barrie....	James Dixon.....	Eramosa	Guelph.
13 Robert Torrance...	John Leny.....	Guelph	Guelph.
12 John Duff.....	13 Alexander Watt..	Elora	Elora.
13 John James.	9 James Dalgleish..	Galt	Galt.
	2 John Stewart.....	Esquesing	Stewarton.
		Eden Mills	Eden Mills.
		Garafraxa	Garafraxa.

VII. PRESBYTERY OF BRANT.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
Joseph Young.....	18 John Dodds.....	Brantford	Brantford.
12 David Caw.....	11 John Taylor.....	Paris	Paris.
10 Thomas Stevenson.	Andrew Goninlock.	Stratford	Stratford.
" "	William Murray...	Shakspeare	
9 A. A. Drummond..	Thomas Kennedy..	Mornington	West's Corners.
" " ..		North Easthope..	
11 Archibald Cross...		Ingersoll	Ingersoll.
Robert Rodgers...		Tilsonburgh	Dereham.
" " ...	James Waddell....	Culloden	
18 John Dunbar	August's Buchanan	Glen-Morris	Glen Morris.
18 Wm. Robertson...		Blandford	Chesterfield.
	John McKee.....	Norwichville	Norwichville.
	6 George Bryce....	Mount Pleasant	Mohawk.

VIII. PRESBYTERY OF GREY.

12 James Gibson.....	Thomas Lunn.....	Owen Sound.....	Owen Sound.
Walter Inglis.....		Kincardine	Kincardine.
" "		McKinney's Crs..	
13 Robert Dowar	12 James Ross.....	Lake Shore.....	Leith.
12 Robert C Moffatt..	Robert Gouinlock.	Walkerton.....	Walkerton.
" "	George Lamont. ..	West Brant.....	
	Robert Young....	Southampton	Southampton.
	George Cromar....	Riversdale	Riversdale.
	William Pringle...	Culross	Teeswater.
	Ebenezer Clarke...	Meaford	Meaford.
	David Black.....	Euphrasia	Euphrasia.

IX. PRESBYTERY OF HURON.

18 John Logie.....	George Thompson.	Warrensville	Rodgerville.
" "	John Allison.....	Thames Road....	
9. Matthew Barr....	——— Grieve.....	McKillop	Harpurhey.
James Duncan.....	James Pollok.....	Bayfield	Bayfield.
John Fraser.....	——— McLagan..	Goderich.....	Goderich.
Wm C. Young....	Thomas Taylor...	Grey	Morrisbank.
		Turnberry	
		Howick	
		Brucefield.....	Brucefield.

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" "	13 Thomas Saunders.	Essa	
8 David Coutts.....	6 Andrew Buckham	1st Chinguacousy.	Mayfield.
" "	6 James Balmer....	2nd Chinguacousy	
13 John Jennings, D.D.	4 James Robertson.	Toronto, 1st	Toronto.
8 Peter Glassford....	3 Andrew Riddell..	Vaughan.....	Coleraine.
" "	John Dalziell.....	Albion.....	
12 James Dick, *Clk*...	7 James Jenkins....	Richmond Hill...	Richmond Hill.
" "	12 Henry Stewart...	King	
12 John Baird, M.A...	William Wilkie...	Ebenezer Church..	Claremont.
		Pickering.....	
" "	7 Adam Spears.....	Claremont.....	
11 J.F.A.S. Fayette,	John Austin.....	Tecumseth.....	Tottenham.
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9 A. A. Drummond..	Thomas Kennedy..	Mornington	West's Corners.
" " ..		North Easthope..	
11 Archibald Cross...		Ingersoll	Ingersoll.
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" " ...	James Waddell....	Culloden	
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" "		McKinney's Crs..	
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12 Robert C Moffatt..	Robert Gouinlock.	Walkerton.....	Walkerton.
" "	George Lamont. ..	West Brant.....	
	Robert Young....	Southampton	Southampton.
	George Cromar....	Riversdale	Riversdale.
	William Pringle...	Culross	Teeswater.
	Ebenezer Clarke...	Meaford	Meaford.
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John Fraser.....	——— McLagan..	Goderich.....	Goderich.
Wm C. Young....	Thomas Taylor...	Grey	Morrisbank.
		Turnberry	
		Howick	
		Brucefield.....	Brucefield.

Official Members of Synod, for 1859.

Rev. WILLIAM ORMISTON, M.A., *Hamilton*, Moderator.
Rev. WILLIAM FRASER, *Bond Head*, Clerk.
Rev. JOHN TAYLOR, D.D., M.D., *Toronto*, Professor of Theology.
Rev. THOMAS CHRISTIE, *West Flamboro'*, Treasurer Home Synod's Grant.
ROBERT CHRISTIE, Esq., *Rosebank*, Treasurer of Synod.

Stated Collections Ordered by the Synod,

1. MISSION FUND—Formation of Missionary Society for raising Funds ordered.
2. SYNOD FUND—Collection to be made in April.
3. THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION FUND—Collection to be made in October.

Committees appointed or re-appointed, June, 1859.

Subjects.	*Conveners.*	*Post Offices.*	*Page*
1. Mission	Rev. Robert Torrance	Guelph	
2. Theological Education	Rev. J. Taylor, D.D., M.D	Toronto	
3. Union	Rev. William Taylor, D.D.	Montreal	
4. Distribution of Preachers	Rev. James Dick	Richmond Hill	
5. Bills and Overtures	do do	do	
6. Ch. Independence & Funds	Rev. James Gibson	Owen Sound	
7. On Reception of Ministers	Rev. J. Taylor, D.D., M.D.	Toronto	
8. On tri-centenary of Reformation	Rev. Wm. Ormiston, M.A.	Hamilton	
9. On Religious Instruction in Schools	Rev. James Dick	Richmond Hill	
10. On correspondence U. P. Church, U.S.	Rev. W. Inglis	London	
11. On Proudfoot Testimonial	Rev. Mr. Caven	St. Mary's	

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I. SEDERUNT.

Toronto, Monday,
June 13, 1859, 7½ *o'clock, P. M.*

The Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in Canada met, and after sermon by the Moderator, the Rev. William Aitken, from 1 Cor. i. 17, was constituted.

The Roll of Synod, as compiled from the Rolls furnished by Presbytery Clerks, was called and marked. **Roll called.**

It was reported that the following changes, affecting the Roll of Synod, and the list of Probationers, had occurred since last meeting, namely:—

That the Rev. Alexander Henderson, Fitzroy Harbor, in the Presbytery of Lanark, had been removed by death, on the 23rd October, 1858. **Taken from Roll, death.**

That the following ministers had demitted their charges, and that the pastoral relation with their respective congregations, had been dissolved:— **Demissions.**

A. C. Stuart, Perrytown, in the Presbytery of Durham, July 27, 1858,

James Caldwell, Esquesing, in the Presbytery of Wellington January 27, 1859,

Thomas Watson, Pakenham, in the Presbytery of Lanark, February 17, 1859:

Translation. That the Rev. Walter Inglis had, by the Presbytery of Grey, been loosed from the charge of the Congregations of Riversdale and Culross, April 12, and translated to the Congregations of Kincardine and McKinney's Corners, April 27, 1859.

Added Induct'ns. That the following Ministers had been inducted:—

Joseph Young, Brantford, in the Presbytery of Brant, July 26, 1858,

Wm. C. Young, Grey, Turnberry, Howick, in the Presbytery of Huron, August 4, 1858,

J. F. A. S. Fayette, Tecumseth, in the Presbytery of Toronto, August 24, 1858,

James R. Scott, Perrytown, Oakhills, in the Presbytery of Durham, January 5, 1859:

Ordinations. That the following Probationers had been ordained:—

Robert Hamilton, Downie and Fullarton, in the Presbytery of London, June 30, 1858,

Stephen Balmer, Woodstock, in the Presbytery of London, July 22, 1858,

George Riddell, Newton and Newcastle, in the Presbytery of Durham, October 2, 1858,

William Robertson, Blandford, in the Presbytery of Brant, January 26, 1859,

William Fletcher, Carlisle, in the Presbytery of London, February 16, 1859,

John Mackie, Lachute, in the Presbytery of Canada East, May 18, 1859:

Licensed. That the following Students of Divinity had been licensed to preach the Gospel:—

William Fletcher,	by the	Presbytery of	London,	July 7, 1858,
Robert Hume,	"	"	Wellington,	Ap. 19, 1859,
Robert Hall,	"	"	London,	May 4, "
William Donald,	"	"	Grey,	May 10, "

Probationers received. That the following Probationers had been received:—

John Scott,	by the	Presbytery of Toronto,	August 3, 1858,
John Mack	"	" " "	" " "
Rev. Alex. Shand,	"	London,	Feb'y 16, 1859,
Donald McLean,	"	Toronto,	May 3, "

Congregations erected. That the following new Congregations had been erected:—

West Brant,	in the Presbytery of	Grey,	June 15, 1858.
Drummondville,	"	Flamboro',	July 13, "
Normanby,	"	Grey,	June 21, "
McKinney's Corners,	"	Grey,	Feb. 7, 1859.
Tecumseth 2nd Con.	"	Toronto,	May 13, "

Moderat'r chos'n. Proceeded to the Election of a Moderator, when Mr. Ormiston moved, seconded by Mr. Baird:—

That the Rev. Alexander Kennedy be chosen Moderator.

Mr. Kennedy having declined the nomination, Mr. Coutts moved, seconded by Mr. Pringle:—

That the Rev. Mr. Ormiston, of Hamilton, be elected Moderator.

Mr. Ormiston was unanimously chosen, and, having taken the Chair, addressed the Synod.

Unfinished business. The Clerk presented a list of the business left unfinished from last Synod, as also a list of reports required to be made by Presbyteries and Committees.

Com. of Bills and Overtures. Member added. The Rev. Mr. Logie, Clerk of the Presbytery of Huron, was added to the Committee of Bills and Overtures.

Audit Com. appointed. The Rev. Messrs. Baird and Caven were appointed a Committee to examine the Accounts of the Synod's Treasurer.

Presby. Minutes Com. to examine. The following Committees were then appointed to examine the Records of Presbyteries, namely, of

London.....	Rev. Messrs.	Porteous and	Wm. M. Christie.
Flamboro'.....	"	"	Walker and William Inglis.
Toronto.....	"	"	Aitken and Stevenson.
Canada East....	"	"	Coutts and King.
Lanark	"	Dr. Jennings and Mr. Dick.	
Durham.....	"	Messrs. Torrance and Duff.	
Wellington.....	"	"	Kennedy and Thornton.
Brant	"	"	Dewar and Moffatt.
Grey.....	"	"	Logie and Barr.
Huron.....	"	"	Caw and Fletcher.

Devotions to conduct. The Rev. Messrs. Stevenson and Robertson were appointed to conduct the devotional exercises of the Synod to-morrow morning.

Presbyteries permitted to meet. At the request of the Clerk of Toronto Presbytery, the Moder-

ator ordered the Presbytery to meet immediately after the adjournment of Synod this evening. The Presbytery of Flamboro' was also, on a similar request, permitted to meet in the Vestry of this Church, at 6 o'clock to-morrow morning. The Presbytery of London asked leave, through their Moderator, to meet at such time as may be suitable to them during this session of Synod, it being understood that such meeting shall not interfere with the attendance of the members of said Presbytery at the sittings of Synod. Leave granted.

Adjourned, to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.
Closed with prayer.

II. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, TUESDAY,
June 14, 1859, 9 *o'clock, A.M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. William Ormiston, M.A., Moderator.

Devotions.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. Messrs. Stevenson and Robertson.

The Roll was called, and the minutes of the first Sederunt were read, and on being amended were sustained.

Rev. J. Scott, excused for absence.

Professor Taylor stated that he had received a letter from the Rev. John Scott, of Napanee, excusing his absence from this meeting of Synod, on account of the recent death of one of his children. Mr. Scott's excuse was sustained.

Bills and Overtures Committee Report.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures gave in their Report to the following purport:—

The Committee of Bills and Overtures report the following Papers, and recommend them to be taken up in the following order:

I. Applications and Testimonials of the following Ministers:

1. Mr. Clerihew's application, delayed from last meeting of Synod.
2. Mr. Howies' application for admission as a Minister, granted by the Flamboro' and other Presbyteries, but referred to the Synod by the Presbytery of Brant.

II. Overture from the Rev. Dr. John Taylor and Mr. Kennedy on the reception of Ministers, transmitted by Toronto Presbytery.

III. Overture from the Presbytery of Durham on a change in the Formula for the Ordination of Ministers, deferred from last Synod.

IV. Report and Memorials on Union.
1. Report of the Union Committee.
2. A Memorial from the 2nd United Presbyterian Congregation, Toronto, on Union.
3. A Petition from the United Presbyterian Congregation, Lake Shore, Owen Sound, on Union.

V. Reports of Presbyteries on the Superintendence of Students.

VI. Report of Committee on Theological Education.

VII. Report of Committee on Funds and Independence of the Church.

VIII. Report of Committee of Missions and Statistics, to be taken up on Wednesday evening.

IX. Report of Committee on Distribution of Probationers.

X Report of Committee on aid to Theological Students.

XI. A Memorial on Temperance from the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance.

XII. Protest and Appeal of Mr. Thomas J. Scott against the decision of the Durham Presbytery.

XIII. The case of Mr. Thomas J. Scott and the Flamboro' Presbytery, referred to Synod.

XIV. Overture on the Tri-centenary of the Reformation.

Received and sanctioned.

On motion it was agreed to receive the report, and to sanction the order of business therein recommended.

Instructions as to next Synod.

The Committee were, at the same time, instructed to consider and recommend the time, during this Session, at which the question as to the time and place of next meeting of Synod shall be determined.

Com. on Minutes and Audit, when to report.

ORDERED.—That the Reports of the several Committees to examine the Minutes of Presbyteries; as also the Report of the

Committee to Audit the Treasurer's Accounts, be given in tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon.

On Flamboro Minutes. Mr. Skinner in place of Mr. Walker.

It being stated that Mr. Walker, appointed last night, as a member of the Committee to examine the Minutes of the Presbytery of Flamboro', was not present, or likely to be present, the moderator appointed Mr. Skinner, to act with Mr. Inglis, instead of Mr. Walker, on this Committee.

Mr. Clerihew's application.

Took up the application of Mr. Clerihew to be received as a minister of this Church, delayed from last Synod. The Clerk stated that, having overlooked this case as one of those delayed, he had omitted to bring to this meeting, the papers connected therewith:—whereupon it was moved by Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Aitken,—That Mr. Clerihew's application be delayed, as the papers are not before the Court.

Statement of Mr. Torrance.

Mr. Torrance, Clerk of the Presbytery of Wellington, made a statement bearing upon Mr. Clerihew's present position and standing, and setting forth substantially, that there was now no cause which rendered him ineligible as a minister of this Church.

Mr. Logie's motion to proceed.

It was moved in amendment to Mr. Gibson's motion, by Mr. Logie, seconded by Dr. W. Taylor:—

That the Synod now proceed to take up and decide the application of Mr. Clerihew.

The amendment being first put to vote, was carried by a large majority, and the Synod decided, accordingly, to proceed with and decide the case.

Dr. Jennings' motion.

Several motions, with a view to dispose of the case, were made, and withdrawn. The Rev. Dr. Jennings then moved, seconded by Mr. Kennedy:—

That inasmuch as there is reason to believe that Mr. Clerihew desires admission to this Church, simply for ministerial standing and not for regular work, his application be refused, because it is not the practice to receive such applicants.

Mr. Thornton's motion.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Coutts:—

That inasmuch as Mr. Clerihew's application is merely for ministerial standing, and not with the view of employment, the Synod do not judge it advisable to grant it.

Mr. Caven's motion

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Caven, seconded by Mr. Moffatt:—

That seeing the Synod are not aware of anything to the prejudice of Mr. Clerihew's character, and seeing that he does not wish employment, but simply to have his status as a Minister recognised, his application be granted.

Decision.

The amendment of Mr. Caven being put against that of Mr. Thornton, the latter was preferred by a vote of 23 to 19. The amendment of Mr. Caven was then dropped from the list of motions, and Mr. Thornton's amendment was put in opposition to the original motion of Dr. Jennings, when the amendment was again preferred by a majority, and the Synod did and do hereby decide in terms thereof,—That inasmuch as Mr. Clerihew's application is merely for ministerial standing, and not with the view of employment, the Synod do not judge it advisable to grant it.

Mr. Howie's application.

Took up the application of Mr. Howie to be received as a Minister of this Church, referred to Synod by the Presbytery of Brant. Read papers connected therewith, namely:—Extracts from the minutes of the Presbytery of Flamboro'; extract of the Licensure of Mr. Howie by the United Associate Presbytery of Paisley and Greenock, 17th September, 1844, extracted by the Clerk of said Presbytery, on the 13th June, 1856; extract of minutes of the United Presbytery of Carlisle, setting forth the ministerial status of Mr. Howie in connexion with said Presbytery; testimonial in favor of Mr. Howie from the Rev. Messrs. Robert Cairns and Thomas McDougall, of Paisley; certificate of ministerial standing from the Presbytery of Albany, United States, of the Associate Presbyterian Church; and a letter from the Clerk of the Presbytery of Brant to the Clerk of the Presbytery of Flamboro'.

The hour of noon having arrived, at the request of the Moderator the Rev. Dr. William Taylor engaged in prayer, and the Synod adjourned, to meet again at two o'clock.

III. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, TUESDAY,
June 14, 1859, 2 *o'clock, P.M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ormis-

ton, Moderator.

The Roll was called, and the minutes of last Sederunt were read, and being amended were sustained.

Canada E. Presb., proceedings ratified.

The Clerk of the Presbytery of Canada East reported that the stated meeting of said Presbytery, in January last, had failed for want of a quorum, and that the Presbytery had since held a *pro re nata* meeting at Lachute, and proceeded to business. The Synod agreed to ratify such proceedings, and authorised the Presbytery to hold their regular meetings as before.

Mr. Howie's application granted.

Resumed consideration of Mr. Howie's application to be received as a minister of this Church, interrupted by the adjournment in the morning.

On motion it was unanimously agreed to receive Mr. Howie as a minister of this Church.

Ministers reception of, Overtures on.

Read and received an Overture from Professor Taylor and Rev. Alexander Kennedy, transmitted by the Presbytery of Toronto, bearing that the laws of Synod respecting the reception of ministers and preachers, and the admission of them to the privilege of Probationers, required amendment, and praying the Synod to take those laws into consideration, with a view to have such amendments made as may be necessary.

Overt're, Committee on.

On motion of Professor Taylor, seconded by Mr. Coutts, it was agreed :—

That the Rev., the Moderator, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Dick, and the mover, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take into consideration the Law of Synod respecting the admission of ministers and preachers, and any amendments thereon that may be expedient, and to report at the first Sederunt on Thursday. Professor Taylor, Convener.

Formula, Overture withdrawn.

Took up an Overture from the Presbytery of Durham, on a change in the Formula, for the ordination of ministers, delayed from last meeting of Synod. The Clerk of the Presbytery of Durham, on behalf of that Presbytery, undertook the responsibility of withdrawing the overture; and by permission it was accordingly withdrawn.

Union Committee Report.

Called for the Report of the Committee on Union with the Presbyterian Church of Canada. The Report—embodying a Draft Basis of Union agreed upon by the Joint Committee of both

Churches, and a synopsis of the returns made to the reference of this Basis to Sessions, Congregations, and Presbyteries, (as by order of last Synod), presenting a very large majority favourable to Union on said Basis—was read by Dr. William Taylor, the Convener.

Report received.

On motion of Mr. Inglis, seconded by Mr. Logie, it was agreed :—

That the Synod receive the Report of the Union Committee, tender its members hearty thanks for their diligence, and defer the consideration of the Report till to-morrow forenoon, when it shall be the first matter in the orders of the day : when all papers on the subject of Union will also be taken up.

Union Petitions on read.

Read a petition from Gould Street United Presbyterian Congregation of Toronto, on the subject of Union, and praying that the Synod do take into consideration the Basis of Union believed to have been adopted by Presbyterian Churches in Australia. Read also a petition on the same subject generally, from the United Presbyterian Congregation of Lake Shore. It was agreed that these papers be taken up when the subject of Union is considered, in the morning.

Students, inspection of.

Called for the Reports of Presbyteries on the inspection of Students of Divinity. Reports were given in by the Presbyteries, and in the terms following :—

Presbytery of Grey.

The Presbytery of Grey reported that the only Student under their inspection for the last year was Mr. William Donald, of the third year, and that he had performed all his exercises to the satisfaction of the Presbytery.

Durham.

The Presbytery of Durham reported that they had had one student, Mr. William McWilliam, for a short time under their care; that owing to his great distance from the seat of Presbytery, and from all the members thereof, it was impossible to meet often with him, but that he had performed the exercises assigned him to the very high satisfaction of the Presbytery.

Brant.

The Presbytery of Brant reported that, during the past year, they had had under their inspection Joseph White and John Turnbull, students of the second year, who had performed the exercises assigned them to the satisfaction of the Presbytery.

Toronto.

The Toronto Presbytery reported that, during the past year, they had had under their inspection the following students, viz. :

Mr. Peter Goodfellow, of the second year, Messrs. James Malcolm and William Richardson, of the first year, and that they had severally performed all the exercises, and delivered the discourses prescribed, to the satisfaction of the Presbytery.

Flamboro'.

The Presbytery of Flamboro' reported that they had had two students last fall, Messrs. John Cameron and Wm. Stewart, who however did not appear before Presbytery with any exercises, the former because of indisposition, and the latter because, on the 4th January, he pleaded a multiplicity of business, but hoped to have all ready at next meeting of Presbytery, but before that time he had joined another Church.

Theo. Education, Com. Report.

Called for the Report of the Committee on Theological Education. The report was read by Professor Taylor, the Convener.

Received.

Report to be printed.

On motion, the Synod agreed to receive the report, and tender their thanks to the Committee for the diligence with which they have discharged the duties assigned them. It was also agreed that the Report be printed as usual.

Exhibitions to Students, resolution on.

On the question of *Funds* for the support of *Exhibitions* to Students, it was on motion agreed:—

That the Synod recommend to those Congregations which have not yet contributed to the Students' Fund, to do so before the end of the year, and that Presbyteries bring the matter before the Sessions under their inspection.

Literary course of Students, motion on.

In reference to the *Literary Course* to be pursued by Students, it was moved by Mr. Logie, seconded by Mr. Dunbar:—

That the Committee on Theological Education have full power to make all necessary arrangements to regulate the studies of the Students during the Session of the Hall.

Amendment.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Drummond, seconded by Mr. Cout's:—

That the Committee on Theological Education be instructed to advise with the Students in reference to their Literary and Philosophical studies, in order to raise the standard of literary attainment.

Decision, Committee to have full power.

The amendment being first put, was supported only by a few votes—the original motion was carried by a large majority, and the Synod decided in terms thereof,—that the Committee have

full power to regulate the studies of the Students, during the Session of the Hall.

Theo. Ed. Com. re-appointed.

The Committee on Theological Education was then re-appointed, consisting of the following ministers, namely:—The Rev. the Moderator of Synod, (Mr. Ormiston), Professor Taylor, Messrs. Kennedy, Thornton, Dick, Torrance, and King. Professor Taylor, Convener.

The hour of five o'clock having arrived, at the request of the Moderator, Mr. Fraser, Elder, from London, engaged in prayer, and the moderator having pronounced the benediction, the Synod adjourned, to meet again at 7 o'clock.

IV. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, TUESDAY,
June 14, 1859, 7 *o'clock, P. M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ormiston, Moderator.

The Roll was called, and the minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Independence of Churchand funds, Report of Com.

Called for the Report of the Committee on the Independence of the Church and on Funds. The report was read by the Rev. Mr. Gibson, the convener.

Report received.

On motion of Mr. Aitken, seconded by Dr W. Taylor, the report was received, and the cordial thanks of the Synod were tendered to the Committee for the great diligence they have exercised in the business intrusted to them.

Independence of Ch. and Funds, Com. re-appointed.

On motion the Committee on the Independence of the Church, and on Funds was then re-appointed, consisting of the following persons, namely:—The Rev. Professor Taylor, the Rev. Messrs. Gibson, Ormiston, Wm. Inglis and Duff, together with Messrs. McVicar and Christie, elders,—Mr. Gibson to be convener.

Returns to Independence Com. to be made by Presbyteries.

After long reasoning as to the manner in which the scheme of the Synod to secure the Independence of the Church, adopted last year, had been carried out by Presbyteries and Congregations, it was on motion unanimously agreed,—

That all the Presbyteries of the Church be enjoined to furnish,

through their clerks, to the convener of the Committee on Church Independence and Funds before the end of April, full returns as to the congregations within their bounds having regular methods of raising missionary funds, and the particular methods adopted by each.

Report to be published and printed copies circulated.

The Committee were requested to publish the report now given in, and also to print and circulate as many copies thereof, in a seperate form, as they may judge to be necessary.

Synod, meeting of at Hamilton, on 2nd Tues. of June 1860.

The convener of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, according to instructions given to said Committee, at a former Sederunt, intimated that now would be a suitable time to determine when and where the next meeting of Synod should be held.

A vote was taken, proceed now to fix the time and place of next meeting, or defer it till after the question of Union be disposed of. It was carried by a majority,—proceed now.

It was then moved by Dr. Ferrier, seconded by Mr. Thornton :—

That the next meeting of Synod be held in the city of Hamilton, on the second Tuesday of June, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, in the evening.

It was moved in amendment by the Rev. Dr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Fraser, elder :—

That the Synod meet in the city of London, on the second Tuesday of June, next year.

A vote was taken, when it was carried by a majoriry, that the next meeting of Synod be held in the City of Hamilton, on the second Tuesday of June, 1860, at 7½ o'clock in the evening.

The Doxology was sung,—the Synod standing.

The Rev. Mr. Thornton, at the request of the moderator, led in prayer, and the moderator having pronounced the benediction, the Synd adjourned, to meet again at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

V. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, WEDNESDAY,
June 15, 1859, 9 *o'clock*, *A. M.*

Devotional exercises.

The Synod met, and engaged in praise, singing Ps. xlvi, 1-5.

The Rev. Mr. James, by request of the Moderator, then led in prayer, with special reference to the subject, this morning, to come up for consideration, namely, that of Union. Engaged again in praise, singing Ps. cxxxiii. The moderator then constituted the Synod by prayer.

The Roll was called, and the minutes of last sederunt were read and approved.

Deputaions, Com. to receive.

At the suggestion of the moderator, the Rev. Dr. W. Taylor, Mr. Thornton, and Mr. Baird, were appointed a Committee to make arrangements for the reception and introduction to this Synod, of Deputations from sister Churches.

Mr Fuller invited to correspond.

The Rev. Mr. Fuller, of the Congregational Church, Hamilton, being present, was invited to correspond.

Bills and Overtures, Repo't supplementary.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures submitted a supplementary Report in the following terms :—

The Committee of Bills and Overtures report the following additional papers :—

15. Reports, Memorials, and Papers on Uuion.

17. The Rev Mr. Shand's application to be received as a minister, with testimonials, referred to the Synod by the London Presbytery.

18. Overture from the London Presbytery, in reference to a correspondence between the United Presbyterian Synod in Canada and the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

19. A reference from a Committee of London Presbytery on the Proudfoot Testimonial.

Received.

A vote was taken,—receive the report of the Committee. It was carried receive.

Read and received papers on Union as follows :—

Union, papers on.

1. Report of the Presbytery of Durham on the Basis of Union.
2. Report from Toronto Presbytery on Union.
3. Memorial on Union from Congregations in the Presbytery of Brant, and others, said memorial being signed by 250 persons belonging to both the Presbyterian Church of Canada, and to the United Presbyterian Church.

Messrs. Laing, McLaren and

The Rev. Messrs. Laing, McLaren, and Troupe, of the Pres-

Troupe of the Free Ch. invited to correspond.

byterian Church of Canada, being present, were invited to correspond.

Union, consideration of.

Proceeded to the first order of the day, namely: the consideration of the question of Union; when the Basis of Union submitted by the Union Committee, was taken up.

On motion of Dr. William Taylor, seconded by Mr. Inglis.—

Committee of the whole House.

The Synod resolved itself into a Committee of the whole house, for the consideration of the question of Union. The Rev. Mr. Aitken in the Chair.

Committee of the whole rose & reported.

After sitting for some time, the Committee of the whole house rose. The moderator took the chair, and the Synod resumed. The Chairman of the Committee of the whole reported the resolutions following; and at the same time asked leave to sit again.

1. That the first article of the Basis submitted by the Union Committee be adopted as expressive of the unanimous mind of this Committee.

2. That the second article of the Basis be adopted as expressing fully the mind of this Committee, leaving out all that follows the word "Standards" in the said article. The Report was received.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet again at 2 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

VI. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, WEDNESDAY,

June 15, 1859, 2 *o'clock, P. M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ormiston, Moderator.

The Roll was called, and the Minutes of last Sederent were read and sustained.

Minutes of Presbyteries, Reports.

Called for the Reports of the several Committees appointed to examine the records of Presbyteries. Reports were given in on the minutes of the Presbyteries of Flamboro', Toronto, Canada East, Durham, Wellington, Brant, Grey, and Huron, attesting that the records of these Presbyteries were correctly kept The Committee on the minutes of the Presbytery of London stated

London Minutes not present.

that the minutes of said Presbytery had not been placed in their hands.

Audit Committee.

The Committee to audit the accounts of the Synod's Treasurer stated that they were not yet prepared to report. The Committee was allowed further time to complete their labours.

Deputation Committee, Report received.

The Committee to make arrangements for the reception of Deputations from sister churches, reported that they recommend that such Deputations be received to-morrow evening. The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

Union Question, Committee of the whole.

Resumed consideration of the question of Union, interrupted by the adjournment in the morning. The Synod again resolved itself into Committee of the whole House on the subject, the Rev. Mr. Aitken in the chair.

Rose & reported.

After sitting for some time the Committee of the whole House rose; the Moderator took the chair, and the Synod resumed.

Report.

The chairman of the Committee of the whole reported the following business as transacted, at the same time asking leave to sit again.

2nd Art. amend'd.

The Rev. Dr. Ferrier moved, seconded by Mr. Barrie:—

That instead of the second article of the Basis, the following be substituted: that inasmuch as there is a difference of opinion in regard to the doctrines contained in these standards, in relation to the power and duty of the Civil Magistrate in matters of religion, the office-bearers of the Church, in subscribing the standards and formularies, are not to be held as countenancing any persecuting or intolerant principles which these standards are supposed by many to contain, or as professing any views inconsistent with the liberty of personal conscience, or the right of private judgment.

The Rev. Mr. Lawrence moved in amendment, seconded by Dr. Jennings.—

That the second article of the Basis be adopted, with the alteration of inserting the words "or reception" after the word "interpretation," in the first limiting clause, the insertion of the same words, viz., "or reception" after the word "interpretation," and the substitution of the words "is required" instead of the words

"can be received" in the second and third limiting clauses under the same article.

A vote was taken, and the amendment was carried on a division by 50 to 9.

3rd Art. adopted. It was moved by Mr. Caven, and unanimously agreed:—

That the third article be adopted, as it stands in the Basis drafted by the Joint Committees.

4th Art. amended. A motion was submitted by Mr. Caven, seconded by Mr. Watson, to amend the 4th article of the Basis, by omitting the words "and is therefore king of nations," after the word "sovereignty" in the first clause, and by substituting the word "private" instead of the word "personal" between the words "his" and "conduct" in the second clause of the article.

Mr. Gibson moved, seconded by Dr. Ferrier:—

That the 4th article be amended by omitting all the words after the words "by the revealed will of Christ."

A vote being taken, the amendment was carried by a majority of 49 to 9.

The Report of the Committee was received.

The Rev. Mr. Skinner, at the request of the moderator, led in prayer, and the moderator having pronounced the benediction, the Synod adjourned, to assemble in Synodical Missionary Meeting, at 7 o'clock in the evening.

VII. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, WEDNESDAY,

June 15, 1859, 7 *o'clock, P. M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ormiston, Moderator.

Engaged in praise, singing the 67th Psalm, after which the Rev. Professor Taylor led in prayer.

Report Mission Committee. Proceeded to the exercises of the Synod's Missionary Meeting, when the Report of the Mission Committee, including the Statistics of the Church, was read by the Convener, the Rev. Mr. Torrance.

On motion, the Report was received. Report received.

An address on "The reflex influence upon Congregations of Missionary effort," was delivered by the Rev. Mr. Logie, of Warrensville. Address by Mr. Logie.

The Rev. Mr. Lawrence, of Clarke, then delivered an address on the subject of "Home effort—its necessity in present circumstances." Address by Mr. Lawrence.

The Moderator then addressed the meeting.

The Rev. Messrs. Thornton, Skinner and Gibson, also, briefly addressed the meeting.

On motion the cordial thanks of the Synod were given to Messrs. Logie and Lawrence for the excellent and appropriate addresses which they have delivered. Thanks to Messrs. Logie and Lawrence.

Engaged in praise, singing the 56 paraphrase, verses 1—3.

The Rev. Mr. Caven, at the request of the Moderator, led in prayer.

The Moderator pronounced the benediction, and the Synod adjourned, to meet again to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

VIII. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, THURSDAY,

June 16, 1859, 9 *oclock, A.M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ormiston, Moderator.

The Roll was called, and the minutes of the two former Sedeunts were read and sustained.

The Synod having last year agreed henceforward to take up the mission business, if practicable, on Thursday morning, it was, notwithstanding, on motion unanimously agreed, that on account of the great importance of the Union question, interrupted by the adjournment yesterday afternoon, the mission business be in the meantime postponed, in order that the Union business be first considered and disposed of. Mission business postponed

Students, inspection of, Presbytery of London.

The Presbytery of London reported on the inspection of students to the following purport :—

"Extract Minute of Presbytery of London in reference to the Superintendence of Students.

15th June, 1859, Bay Street, Toronto.

The U. P. Presbytery of London met and was constituted. *Inter alia.* Agreed to report to the Synod that there had been under the care of the Presbytery, during the past year, the following students : Messrs. William Fletcher, David Waters, Robert Hall, James Hanran, George Irving and James Milligan, and that they had performed the various exercises prescribed them to the satisfaction of the Presbytery.

Extracted from the Presbytery Minutes by

(Signed) Wm. Inglis, *Clerk, pro. tem.*

Reception of Ministers, law amendment, Committee Report.

Called for the Report of the Committee appointed to consider the law of Synod for the reception of Ministers and Probationers, and any amendment on that law which may be necessary. The Report was read by Professor Taylor. On motion the report was received, and the thanks of Synod tendered to the Committee. The consideration of the report was deferred.

Bills and Overtures, Com. 3rd Report.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures gave in an additional Report, presenting Papers laid before them as follows :—

20. Memorial of the Grand Lodge of the Order of Good Templars, recommended to be read with paper No. 11.

21. Letter from the Chief Superintendent of Education, Upper Canada, on religious exercises and instruction in the public Common Schools.

22. Memorial from the Presbytery of Brant, on Rev. Mr. Murray's application to receive appointments.

23. Petition of J. J. E. Linton on Temperance, recommended to be taken up along with Nos. 11 and 20.

The report was received.

Union, resumed, Com. of whole.

Took up the question of Union. The Synod resolved itself into Committee of the whole House.

Rose, reported

The Committee having sat for some time, on motion rose. The Moderator took the chair, and the Synod resumed.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House reported the following business as transacted :—

Note to Article 4 amended.

1. It was moved by Mr. Caven, seconded by Mr. Ormiston :

That the notes be regarded as an authoritative explanation of the sense in which the fourth article of the Basis is held by the Synod of the United Presbyterian Church.

2. It was moved in amendment by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Lawrence :

That the first note be appended, as a note, to the Basis, as explanatory of the sense in which the United Presbyterian Church understands the fourth article, the form of note being modified as follows : that the article having relation to the Headship of Christ over the Nations, and the duties of the Civil Magistrate, has always been, and is, one of the things most surely believed and most firmly maintained by the United Presbyterian Church, while, at the same time, she has constantly and carefully guarded against the practical inference drawn from it by some, that Christ, as King of Nations, delegates his power to earthly kings —that they are in any sense his vicegerents, or that magisterial interference in matters purely of a religious nature is a medium through which Christ exercises the authority with which, as King of Nations, he is invested.

3. It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Inglis, seconded by Mr. Logie :

That instead of adopting the notes, there be appended to, and incorporated with, the fourth article as adopted by this Synod, the latter part of the first note beginning with the words "the practical inference," introducing the clause with the introductory words "it being understood that it is not required that any one should adopt the practical inference," and so on to the end.

A vote was taken between the amendment of Mr. King and that of Mr. Inglis, numbered respectively 2 and 3, when 61 voted for that of Mr. King, and 16 for that of Mr. Inglis.

The amendment of Mr. Inglis being lost was dropped from the list of motions, and a second vote was taken between the motion of Mr. Caven and the amendment of Mr. King, numbered respectively 1 and 2, when 56 voted for that of Mr. King, and 15 for that of Mr. Caven.

The amendment of Mr. King being thus successively preferred

to that of Mr. Inglis and the motion of Mr. Caven, was declared to be carried.

Article 5 adopted. The fifth article of the Basis was, on motion, unanimously adopted.

Article 6 adopted. The sixth article was also unanimously adopted.

Union Reports adopted. On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Torrance, the Synod resolved, *nem. con.*, to receive and adopt the several reports on the Basis of Union, made by the Committee of the whole House, and to discharge the Committee.

Union Basis to engross, Com. to. The Rev. Dr. W. Taylor, Messrs. Gibson and Torrance were appointed a Committee to act with the Clerk in engrossing the findings of the Committee of the whole House on the Basis of Union, which findings were afterwards adopted by the Synod, with a view to their being laid, as soon as may be, before the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, now in session in this city. The Committee to report to-morrow morning. The Clerk of Synod convener.

Dr. Ferrier's History, Commit. to frame Minute on. It was agreed on motion of Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Professor Taylor:—

That some expression ought to be given of the sense which the Synod entertains of the service which the Rev. Dr. Ferrier has rendered to the Church, by the History of the United Presbyterian Church, which he has published in the Magazines.

Mr. Lawrence and Professor Taylor were appointed a Committee to draw up a minute, expressive of the interest which the Synod has taken in this History, thanking Dr. Ferrier for the service which he has, by its compilation, rendered to the Church in Canada, and hoping that the papers may be given to the public in a more permanent form.

Distributi'n, Committee Report The Committee for the distribution of Preachers gave in their report. The report was received, and the thanks of Synod were tendered to the Committee for their diligence.

Distrib. Com. reappointed. The Committee of Distribution was then re-appointed, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Dick and Ormiston, and Dr. Jennings.

Carruthers Mr., case of. In reference to a statement in the report of the Distribution Committee relating to Mr. Carruthers, preacher, Mr. Thornton and Mr. Lawrence were appointed to act with the Committee in

drafting a minute for the adoption of Synod in the case, to report at another Sederunt.

Minutes, Lanark Presbytery, Report on The Committee to examine the minutes of the Presbytery of Lanark gave in their report in the following terms :—

The subscribed Committee appointed by Synod to examine the minutes of the Presbytery of Lanark, since last meeting of Synod, have to report that the business transacted is unquestionably stated with faithfulness, yet there were certain peculiarities in the procedure which Presbytery, strictly interpreted, cannot sustain, but which in the circumstances (one minister only being left) could not be avoided.

(Signed) JAMES DICK,
JOHN JENNINGS.

Explanation by Mr. Aitken, Lanark Pres. ratified. Mr. Aitken gave some explanations in connection with the preceding report, and the explanations being received as satisfactory, the Synod ratified the proceedings of the Lanark Presbytery.

Lanark Congregations annexed to Durham Pres. It was agreed, on motion, that the congregations lately composing the Presbytery of Lanark be, in the meantime, annexed to the Presbytery of Durham, and the records of the late Presbytery be handed for safe keeping to the Clerk of Synod.

Engaged in praise, singing Ps. 99, 2—5.

Mr. Gibson, by request, engaged in prayer, and the benediction being pronounced by the Moderator, the Synod adjourned, to meet again at 2 o'clock.

IX. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, THURSDAY,
June 16, 1859, 2 *o'clock, P.M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ormiston, Moderator.

The Roll was called, and the minutes of last Sederunt were read, and, with some amendments, were sustained.

Mission business. Entered on the consideration of the Mission business, postponed in the morning. Took up the Report of the Mission Committee.

Thanks to Com.

On motion, the thanks of the Synod were tendered to the Committee on Missions, and especially to the Convener, for the able and elaborate report presented last evening.

Preachers' Returns, moti'ns on.

In reply to a question in the Report respecting Returns of Preachers,

It was moved by Mr. Logie, seconded by Mr. Cross:—

That Presbyteries be required simply to furnish the Convener of the Mission Committee with an abstract of the services and receipts of preachers within their bounds, each half year, at the close of the months of June and December.

2. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Dewar, seconded by Mr. Moffatt:—

That the present law on the subject be continued, but that a Committee be appointed to examine the whole constitution and business of the Mission Committee, and report to next Synod.

3. It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Dick:—

That the present system remain as it is.

Decision.

These different motions being put to vote, the amendment of Mr. Duff was successively preferred to that of Mr. Dewar and to the motion of Mr. Logie; and the Synod did and do decide in terms thereof:—That the present system continue as it is.

Paymt's to Preachers ought to be equal.

It was stated in the Report that there were great differences in the amount contributed by congregations to different preachers. The Convener inquired if anything could be done to remedy this, and, as far as possible, to equalize the amounts paid by congregations to preachers officiating among them.

Recommendation

The Synod agreed to recommend, and do hereby recommend to Presbyteries, to urge upon congregations the duty of paying equal sums to preachers who may labour among them, in proportion to the services rendered.

Cambray & Manilla complaint.

On the matter of complaint against the committee in the case of Cambray and Manilla,—It was moved by Mr. Logie, seconded by Mr. Thornton, and

Resolved,—That the Synod approve of the course of the Committee of Missions in delaying to answer the application for supplement to these congregations.

Catechist Mr Fraser, proposal to discontinue.

The recommendation of the Committee to discontinue the services of Mr. Fraser, as a Catechist, was then taken up.

It was moved by Mr. Fotheringham, seconded by Mr. Inglis:—

That the recommendation of the Committee in reference to Mr. Fraser, be not adopted.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Logie, seconded by Mr. Smith, elder:—

That the Synod, whilst appreciating the reasons which led to the recommendation of the Mission Committee, yet in view of the value of Mr. Fraser's labours as a Catechist, agree to continue his services.

Mr Fraser's services continued

A vote being taken, the amendment was carried by a large majority, and the Synod decided in terms thereof.

Statistics, moti'ns on.

The Convener of the Mission Committee having inquired if the Statistics should be published:—It was moved by Logie, seconded by Mr. Whillans, elder:—

That the Report on Statistics be published, and that Presbyteries be enjoined to take all proper steps to see that the law of Synod be attended to.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Duff:—

That Presbyteries be enjoined to insist upon prompt attention to the regulations of Synod in regard to the Statistical Reports, and to demand from the Office-bearers of Congregations, reasons, in every instance of neglect.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. James:—

That the Synod enjoin the Clerks of Presbyteries to return within a month from this time, the Statistics of Congregations within their bounds, which have been withheld; and that the Committee publish the Statistics thus furnished along with those already in their hands.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Drummond, seconded by Mr. Dunbar:—

That in consequence of the imperfect returns, the Statistics of 1858 be not published.

Decision on Statistics.

A vote was taken, and the amendment of Mr. Thornton was preferred to all the others, and the Synod did and do decide in terms thereof:—

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Audit Report.

The Committee appointed to examine the Accounts of the Synod's Treasurer, reported that they had found the accounts correct.

Adjourned, to meet again at 7 o'clock.

Closed with the benediction.

X. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, THURSDAY,

June 16, 1859, 7 *o'clock, P.M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ormiston, Moderator.

The Roll was called, and the minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Deputations received.

The Synod having yesterday agreed that deputations from sister churches should be received this evening, the deputation from the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, consisting of the Rev. W. B. Clarke, of Chalmers' Church, Quebec, and the Rev. James B. Duncan, of Perth, were introduced to the Synod by the Rev. Dr. William Taylor, as also was the Rev. Mr. Marling, delegate from the Congregational Union of Canada. The deputies were respectively welcomed by the Moderator.

Messrs. Duncan and Clarke handed in their commissions as a deputation from the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, which were read from the table.

Messrs. Duncan and Clarke severally address the Synod.

The Rev. Messrs. Duncan and Clarke severally addressed the Synod, conveying in very cordial terms the fraternal salutations of the Christian Body with which they are connected, and expressing very warmly their desire, and the desire of members of their Synod, for union between the two churches.

Mr. Marling addressed Synod.

The Rev. Mr. Marling then addressed the Synod on behalf of the Congregational Union of Canada, expressing the brotherly greetings of that Body.

Mr. James repli'd

At the request of the Moderator the Rev. Mr. James, of Galt, replied, reciprocating on behalf of the Synod the kindly sentiments expressed by the several deputies.

Engaged in devotional exercises, when the Rev. Mr. Clarke, by request, led in prayer. Engaged in praise, singing the 63 paraphrase, verses, 3—5.

Deputies invited to correspond.

The deputies were then severally requested to take their seats in this Synod and correspond.

Statistics decisi'n to remain.

A question was asked by Mr. King as to the effect of the decision of Synod, at the afternoon Sederunt, on Statistics.

The Moderator expressed it as his opinion that the question had been finally disposed of, but submitted to the Synod whether or not it should now be re-opened. The Synod decided by a majority that the question be not now re-opened.

The Synod adjourned, to meet again at 9 o'clock to-morrow.

Closed with the benediction.

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TORONTO, FRIDAY,

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The Roll was called, and the Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

It was moved by Mr. Cross, seconded by Mr. Dick, and:—

Mr. Henderson of Park, thanks for "Tong'es of Fire"

Resolved,—That the cordial thanks of Synod be given to John Henderson, Esq., of Park, Scotland, for his kindness in present-

Deputation from Gen. Assembly, (N.S.,) U.S.

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Moderat'r repli'd.

The Moderator responded.

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Motions lost. Report adopted.

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OMISSION.

Insert the following after the Resolution adopting Report on Law for reception of Ministers, pg. 331.

Com. on reception of Ministers.

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Deputation to Pres. Ch. of Canada.

The Moderator having stated that intimation had been made to him that the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada would be prepared to receive a deputation from this Synod in the evening, to-day; Messrs. Gibson and Skinner were thereupon, appointed a deputation to wait upon the Synod of the Presbyterian Church, in the evening, and to express to them the warm, christian, and brotherly regards of this Synod.

Deputation of last year's report.

Mr. Thornton reported from the deputation of last year to the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

Deputation to Cong. Union appointed.

The Moderator, the Rev. Mr. Ormiston, was then appointed to represent this Church, at the next meeting of the Congregational Union of Canada.

Scott, Mr. Thos. J., appeal from Durham Presb'y.

Agreed to take up the protest and appeal of the Rev. Thomas J. Scott, from a decision of the Presbytery of Durham. Read extracts from the minutes of said Presbytery in the case. Read also Mr. Scott's protest and appeal, with reasons.

Read further, a reference from the Presbytery of Flamboro, in regard to Mr. Scott's position before that Presbytery.

Reference to com. proposed.

A motion was offered to submit the papers to a Committee, for the purpose of preparing the business in both cases for the action of Synod.

Resoluti'n to proceed in Synod.

Another motion was made, that the Synod proceed now with the protest and appeal of Mr. Scott against the procedure and decision of the Presbytery of Durham. On a vote being taken, the last motion was carried by a great majority, and the Synod resolved to proceed with Mr. Scott's appeal as the first business this afternoon.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Synod rose, to meet at two o'clock.

Closed with the benediction.

XII. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, FRIDAY,
June 17, 1859, 2 *o'clock, P.M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ormison Moderator.

The Roll was called, and the minutes of the former Sederunt were read and sustained.

Basis of Union laid before Pres. Synod.

The Rev. Dr. William Taylor, Convener of the Union Committee, reported that they had discharged the duties assigned them in the morning, and had laid a certified copy of the Basis of Union before the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, and that the Committee had been most heartily received by that Synod.

Mr. Scott's case resumed.

Resumed the case of Mr. Thomas J. Scott, interrupted by the adjournment in the morning. Read the Minutes of the Presbytery of Durham, in the case. Read again the protest and appeal of Mr. Scott. Heard Mr. Scott in support of his appeal, Heard the Presbytery of Durham in support of their action in

the case, through Messrs. Thornton and King. Mr. T. J. Scott was heard in reply. Questions were put to the Presbytery of Durham, and were answered. A question was then put to Mr. Scott and answered.

Parties removed.

The parties were then removed, and the Synod proceeded to deliberate. After reasoning, it was moved by Mr. Logie, seconded by Mr. James,—that the Synod having heard both parties in the case of protest and appeal, by Thomas J. Scott against the procedure and decision of Durham Presbytery, in the case of the Rev. John Scott's complaint, agree to dismiss the protest and appeal as ill founded.

Decision in Mr. Scott's case.

Amendment.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Baird,—That the Synod finds that the Presbytery of Durham, has not taken sufficient care to lead evidence of the truth of the charges preferred against the Mr. Thomas J. Scott, yet as the decision of the Presbytery does not contain any judicial sentence, but only such admonition as to this Synod seems to have been called for, agrees to dismiss the appeal.

Decision.

A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Logie, was carried by a majority, and the Synod did, and do decide in terms thereof, to dismiss the protest and appeal as ill founded.

The Moderator intimated the decision of Synod to the parties.

Students' Aid Com. report. Committee discharged.

The Committee on aid to Theological Students reported that there had been considerable difficulty felt in drawing up a scheme likely to be successful and continued; still, it was hoped that such a scheme would be devised, as might be satisfactory, but in the present circumstances of the church, in relation to union with the Presbyterian Church of Canada, it is not deemed prudent to proceed further in the matter at present.

The Report was received, and thanks given to the Committee which was then discharged.

Scott, Mr. T. J. case of, referred from Flamboro' Presbytery.

Took up the reference from the Presbytery of Flamboro, in Mr. T. J. Scott's case.

The Moderator being a member of the Presbytery from which the reference had been transmitted, now left the chair, which was taken by the Rev. Mr. Aitken.

Remitted to the Presbytery.

It was agreed without a vote, that having heard the reference from the Presbytery of Flamboro, in the matter of Mr. T. J.

Scott, the case be, and it is hereby remitted to the Presbytery to deal with it according to the laws of the church.

The Moderator took the chair, and the Synod adjourned.

Closed with the benediction.

XIII. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, FRIDAY,
June 17, 1859, 7 *o'clock, P. M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ormiston, Moderator.

The Roll was called, and the minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Tri-centenary of Scottish Reformation.

Read and received an Overture from the Rev. Dr. Ferrier, transmitted by the Flamboro' Presbytery, setting forth the propriety and desirableness of observing in this country the Tri-centenary of the Reformation in Scotland, now approaching; and suggesting the appointment of a Committee to make all necessary arrangements for celebrating in a suitable manner the three-hundredth anniversary of so glorious an event.

Resolution on Com. appointed.

It was agreed that in accordance with the recommendations of the Overture, the Synod resolve to spend the evening of Wednesday at its next regular meeting, in devotional exercises, accompanied with appropriate addresses; and appoint a Committee to make arrangements for this meeting, and to co-operate with Committees appointed by other Churches in making any other arrangements by which the Tri-centenary of the Reformation may be most suitably celebrated. The Committee to be composed of the following persons, namely: Dr. Ferrier, the Rev. Thomas Christie, and the Moderator, Rev: Mr. Ormiston, Mr. Ormiston Convener,

Deputation, report of.

Messrs, Gibson and Skinner having returned from the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, on which they had waited by appointment to convey the fraternal regards of this Synod, reported that they had been very graciously received.

Proudfoot Testimonial.

Took up a reference from the Presbytery of London relating to a Testimonial in honour of the late Professor Proudfoot,

Resolutions on.

Resolved, That an effort be made to raise a Fund, the interest accruing from which shall be enjoyed by Mrs. Proudfoot, during her lifetime, and to be devoted at her decease to the aid of Students of Divinity, under the designation of the Proudfoot Scholarship Fund; and that a Committee be appointed to carry out this resolution by making application to the various congregations within the bounds of the Synod.

Resolved further,—That the Rev, Messrs, Skinner, Inglis and Caven be appointed a Committee, with power to add to their number, to place this matter before Congregations, by the authority of Synod, and that whatever sums may be raised by them in this way shall be held by them as Trustees, in the name of the Synod, to be accounted for to the next meeting of Synod, and the interest applied for the purposes above specified.

Legal advisers appointed.

On motion of Mr. Kennedy, it was unanimously resolved,—That inasmuch as it is of great importance that the title deeds of property belonging to the congregations under the superintendence of this church, should be in a satisfactory state, and as there is no reason to apprehend that this is not the case, in many cases, and further, inasmuch as it is necessary that the Synod should have legal advisers, to consider such instances, and other legal questions connected with the interest of the church; the Hon. Oliver Mowat, Q. C., M. P. P., and Thomas Wardlaw Taylor, Esq., Barristers at Law, be, and they are hereby appointed, the legal advisers of the United Presbyterian Church in Canada, and that all title deeds, concerning which there is any doubt, be sent for examination to T, W, Taylor, Esq., Barrister at Law, Toronto,

Thanks of Synod to Messrs. Mowat & Taylor.

On motion of Mr, Gibson, seconded by Mr, Logie, it was unanimously

Resolved,—That the cordial thanks of this Synod be conveyed to the Hon. Oliver Mowat and Thomas W. Taylor, Esq., for the exceedingly generous offer of gratuitous legal advice and service in connection with the Title Deeds of property belonging to this Church.

Mr. Shand's application.

Read and received a reference from the Presbytery of London, accompanied with extracts from the Minutes of the Presbytery of Huron, on the application of the Rev. Alexander Shand to be received as a minister of this Church. It was agreed to refer Mr. Shand's application to the Committee, appointed at a preceding Sederunt, on reception of Ministers and Preachers.

Brant Presbytery Memorial on Papers of defunct Congregations.

Read and received a memorial from the Presbytery of Brant, in reference to the Books and Papers of a Congregation which has ceased to exist, inquiring to whom those books and papers should be delivered, and who should have authority to demand them.

Books &c., to be given to Presby.

The moderator replied on behalf of the Synod, that such books and papers should go into the hands of the Presbytery, and that the Presbytery Clerk is the person who has the right to demand and receive such books.

Murray, Rev. G. employment of.

With reference to a request, in the same memorial, for the employment of the Rev. Mr. Murray, in missionary service, it was

Resolved,—That the Synod authorise the Distribution Committee, at their discretion, to employ Mr. Murray as a preacher.

United Presbyterian Ch., U.S, correspondence with

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Circular on religious instruction—Chief Supt. of Schools.

Received a Circular from Dr. Ryerson, Chief Superintendent of Schools for Upper Canada, in relation to religious instruction in the Public Common Schools, and requesting a deliverance of Synod on the subject. It was agreed to refer the circular to the Committee for the Distribution of Preachers, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Ormiston and Dick, and the Rev. Dr. Jennings, who shall report their action in the matter, at next meeting of Synod.

Temperance P, rohibition.

There were presented to the Synod, several papers on the subject of Intemperance, and the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, namely:—a Memorial from the Grand Division Sons of Temperance:—a Memorial from the Grand Lodge of the Order of Good Templars:—a Memorial, accompanied with a list of Convictions before Justices of Peace, in the County of Perth, from John J. E. Linton, Esq., Clerk of the Peace for the said County:—all praying the Synod to adopt measures to abate the Intemperance prevailing throughout the country, and to obtain the enactment of a law prohibiting the traffic in intoxicating liquors.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNION.

To the Rev. the Moderator, and Members of the Synod of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Toronto, on the 13th day of June, 1859, the Committee on Union beg to report:—

That in following out the instructions given to them at last meeting of Synod, they requested that a joint meeting of your Committee and the Committee appointed by the Presbyterian Church of Canada, might take place. Said meeting was held in Toronto, August 18, 1858, and after much deliberation, articles were unanimously adopted by both Committees as a Doctrinal Basis for the Union of the two Churches; and it was agreed that they should be presented to their respective Synods for their approval.

These articles were printed, and copies sent to all the Ministers and Sessions, with a request that they should report on them, to the Convener of this Committee, with as little delay as possible, in order to determine whether a special meeting of Synod, as was at one time suggested, should be called in October, to decide upon them.—The number of reports which the Convener received up to that date was so small, and opinion so much divided respecting the propriety of calling a special meeting of Synod, that it was not thought expedient to request the Moderator to summon one. So that the whole question now remains for the action of this Court in the state in which it is presented in the findings of the Joint Committee.

A tabular statement of the replies received from Presbyteries and Congregations is presented along with this Report; from which it will be seen that replies have been received from four Presbyteries and thirty-eight Congregations. Of these, the Presbyteries of Flamboro' and Canada East, approved of the Articles as a Basis of Union, the Presbytery of Brant approves upon the whole, and the Presbytery of Wellington disapproves. Of the Congregations, 21 approve of the Articles as a Basis of Union, 6 approve on the whole, 6 would have other conditions added, and 5 disapprove. This gives a very large majority in favour of Union, so far as the Reports go.

Your Committee are again happy to have it in their power to report that throughout the anxious and protracted meetings of the Joint Committees, the utmost harmony and good feeling prevailed, with scarcely an exception They would look upon this as a token from God for good; and judging from this, and from the strong desire for Union expressed in the replies that have been received from Presbyteries and Congregations, they indulge the hope that this most important question is now in such a state that it may be satisfactorily disposed of by this Synod; and our negotiations brought to that happy issue which the Church earnestly desires.

All of which is submitted, on behalf of the Committee,

W. TAYLOR, *Convener.*

P.S.—Since the above Report was closed, I have received (June 11) a reply from the Presbytery of London, disapproving of Union on the foregoing Basis. It will be seen, however, that several of the Congregations of the Presbytery have reported in favour of it. W. T.

BASIS OF UNION.

BASIS OF UNION WITH THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CANADA, ADOPTED BY THE SYNOD OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, ON THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF JUNE, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINE YEARS:

I. *Of Holy Scripture*—That the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, being the inspired Word of God, are the supreme and infallible rule of faith and life.

II. *Of the Subordinate Standards.*—That the Westminster Confession of Faith, with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms, are received by this Church as her subordinate Standards.

But whereas certain sections of the said Confession of Faith, which treat of the power or duty of the Civil Magistrate, have been objected to, as teaching principles adverse both to the right of private judgment in religious matters, and to the prerogatives which Christ has vested in His Church, it is to be understood:—

1. That no interpretation, or reception of these sections is held by this Church, which would interfere with the fullest forbearance as to any differences of opinion which may prevail on the question of the endowment of the Church by the State.

2. That no interpretation, or reception of these sections is required by this Church, which would accord to the State any authority to violate that liberty of conscience and right of private judgment, which are asserted in chap. xx. sec. 2, of the Confession; and in accordance with the statements, of which this Church holds, that every person ought to be at full liberty to search the Scriptures for himself, and to follow out what he conscientiously believes to be the teaching of Scripture, without let or hindrance.¶

3. That no interpretation or reception of these sections is required by this Church, which would admit of any interference on the part of the state with the spiritual independence of the Church, as set forth in chap. xxx. of the Confession.

III *Of the Headship of Christ over the Church*—That the Lord Jesus Christ is the only King and Head of His Church; That He has made her free from all external or secular authority in the administration of her affairs, and that she is bound to assert and defend this liberty to the utmost, and ought not to enter into such engagements with any party as would be prejudicial thereto.

IV. *Of the Headship of Christ over the Nations, and the Duty of the Civil Magistrate.* That the Lord Jesus Christ, as Mediator, is invested with universal sovereignty, and is therefore King of Nations, and that all men, in every capacity and relation, are bound to obey His will as revealed in His Word; and particularly, that the Civil Magistrate (including under that term, all who are in any way concerned in the Legislative or Administrative action of the state,) is bound to regulate his official procedure, as well as his personal conduct, by the revealed will of Christ.*

V. *Of Church Government*—That the system of polity exhibited in the Westminster Form of Presbyterian Church Government," in so far as it declares a plurality of Elders for each congregation, the official equality of Presbyters who minister in word and doctrine, without any officers in the Church, in due subordination of a smaller part to a larger, and of a larger to the whole, is the Government of this Church, and is, in the general features of it therein set forth, believed by this Church to be founded on, and agreeable to the word of God.

VI. *Of Worship*—That the ordinances of worship shall be administered in this Church as they have heretofore been, by the respective bodies of which it is composed, in a general accordance with the directions contained in the Westminster Directory of Worship.

¶The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada have made the following additions to this Clause—"Provided that no one is allowed, under pretext of following the dictates of conscience, to interfere with the peace and good order of Society."

*NOTE.—That the article having relation to Christ's Headship over the nations, and the duty of the Civil Magistrate has always been, and is, one of the things most surely believed and most firmly maintained by the United Presbyterian Church, while, at the same time, she has constantly and carefully guarded against the practical inference drawn from it by some, that Christ, as King of Nations, delegates his power to earthly Kings—that they are in any sense his vicegerents, or that magisterial interference in matters purely of a religious nature is a medium through which Christ exercises the authority with which, as King of Nations, he is invested.—NOTE—The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, have in the Basis as adopted by them, struck out this note appended to the 4th Article by the United Presbyterian Synod.

[No. II.]

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION.

The Committee on Theological Education, beg respectfully to report as follows: The Session of the Divinity Hall commenced on Tuesday, 19th October. All the members were present. The Rev. the Moderator of Synod occupied the chair. After singing and reading the Scriptures. prayer was offered up by the Rev. Mr. Thornton. An address was given from the chair. The Rev Dr. Taylor read his Introductory Lecture. The Rev. Mr. Ormiston delivered an address: and the Rev. Dr. Burns of Knox College, at the request of the chairman, concluded with prayer. Fourteen students entered the Hall, viz: of the fourth year, Messrs. William Donald, Robert Hall, Robert Hume, B. A, and William McWilliam.—Of the third year, Messrs. James Hanran, George Irving, John Turnbull, and Joseph White.—Of the second year, Messrs. Peter Goodfellow, and James Milligan.—Of the first year, Messrs. Alexander McNaughton, James Malcolm, William Thomson Murdoch, and William Richardson. Three students who attended the preceding Session, and had not completed their course, were absent from the Hall last Session; and the Committee have learnt that one of them has connected himself with another denomination.

The Sub-Committee for Examination have given in the following Report:

"Toronto, 30th Nov., 1858 —The Examiners met,—The Rev. R. H. Thornton in the chair,—and proceeded to estimate the Examination Papers given in by the students. These Papers had been written, as usual, at meetings held for the purpose, when the questions were simultaneously proposed. Dr. Taylor stated that one of the students on account of severe domestic affliction, had not been able to attend all these meetings, but had afterwards written his papers in Dr. Taylor's house, all the conditions being observed as strictly as possible. The Examiners, while deeming it of importance that the regulations should be rigidly adhered to, agreed, in the circumstances stated, to accept of these papers. After careful consideration, it was resolved to arrange the students in the following order of merit, viz: Of the fourth year, Mr. McWilliam, Messrs. Donald and Hume who are bracketed, Mr. Hall.—Of the third year, Messrs. Hanran and Turnbull, who are bracketed, Mr. White, Mr. Irving.—Of the second year, Mr. Milligan, Mr. Goodfellow.—Of the first year. Mr. Murdoch, Mr. Malcolm, Mr. Richardson, Mr. McNaughtan. Those bracketed are regarded as so nearly equal, that no attempt is made to distinguish them. Of the fourteen students, eleven applied for Exhibitions, and £10 was awarded to each. The Examiners found a great diversity of merit among the students. Some exhibited highly commendable attainments, others fell considerably short; and though the Examiners still refrain from taking any step affecting the standing of any of the students, they must express their sense of the importance of respectable proficiency being aimed at, and attained, by all who mean to apply for license in our church.

(Signed), "R. H. THORNTON, *Chairman*."

The Committee beg to say, that, while they entertain no doubt that the examinations were judiciously and faithfully conducted, and that correct results were obtained, it is proper to be kept in mind that the attainments of the students, at the time of their admission, differed very widely; that some students, on account of constitutional peculiarities, and from habit, fail to do themselves justice under examination; that the range of subjects for examination is wide, and that the Examiners found their estimate on a consideration of the aggregate whole, so that students who stand low, may have acquitted themselves creditably in particular departments, and may, perhaps, prove popular and useful preachers, though certainly it is, in many points of view, exceedingly important that only men of respectable acquirements should be licensed for the ministry.

The balance in favour of the Fund for aiding and encouraging students in Divinity, at last report, was £125 15s., which with interest at six per cent for ten months, amounts to £132 1s.; and after deducting £110 paid as Exhibitions, there remained £22 1s. The Committee have received from the Congregation of Madrid £3 17s 6d.; of Chatham $4 15s.; of Gould Street, Toronto, £20; of Newton £13; and of Harwich, additional £1. William Dunbar, Esq., Dunbarton, and Thomas Sandilands, Esq., Guelph, have each paid the sum of £10, and Mr. Tisdell, Preacher, has re-paid the sum of £11 which he had received as an Exhibition while a student, in all £73 2s. 6d., making with the £22 1s. formerly mentioned, a total of £95 3s. 6d. The Committee feel grateful to these contributors, especially to the individuals who generously give an Exhibition annually. They also appreciate the honourable feeling of Mr. Tisdell, in repaying his Exhibition; but they do not regard those who go forward to license as under any obligation to refund. It will be observed that the balance on hand, together with the two annual Exhibitions paid by individuals, and calculating on £11 from the Congregation of Paris, is rather too small to enable the Committee to give the Exhibitions which might probably be applied for at the commencement of next Session. It is for the Synod to adopt the course which to its wisdom shall seem proper; but the Committee deem it of importance that the students should be made aware whether Exhibitions may be expected, as on that point, the return of some of them to the Hall may very likely depend.

There was last year a balance of 19s. 3½d. belonging to the Library. From that there has been paid 12s. 4d. for the last volume of a set formerly purchased, leaving a balance of 6s. 11½d.

The close of the Session of the Divinity Hall, took place on Thursday, 14th April. There were present of the Committee, the Rev. Messrs. Thornton, Dick, Kennedy, Torrance, and Dr. Taylor. Mr. Kennedy presided. After singing, Mr. Dick offered up prayer. Dr. Taylor read his concluding Lecture. Mr. Thornton delivered an address. The Chairman also gave a short address. Mr. Torrance led in prayer, and the meeting was closed with singing and the benediction.

During the Session the students were examined in Systematic Divinity, on Dick's Lectures from the 54th to the 79th. both inclusive. In Greek they read critically John's Gospel, chapter iii.; and the Epistle to the Hebrews from the beginning to chapter x., verse 19th. They read also, more cursorily, the whole of the remaining practical portion of the Epistle. In Hebrew they read the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th chapters of Genesis, and some selected passages from other Books, together with the corresponding portions of the Septuagint. In Church History, the subject of examination was the 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th centuries in Mosheim's work. Each student delivered one discourse, and gave in three written exercises on subjects prescribed Dr Taylor bore testimony to the good conduct of the students during the Session, and the diligence with which, generally, they had prosecuted their studies. It was matter of gratitude also that, as in former winter Sessions, all connected with the Hall had enjoyed excellent health, with slight exceptions.

The Committee are persuaded that all enlightened and earnest members of the Church must feel deeply interested in the Hall. Its general condition is just ground for congratulation; and it is hoped the Synod will be anxious to make every effort for its maintenance and improvement. The Church, too, it is hoped, will not cease to present fervent prayer to God that His blessing may more and more largely descend on the institution, and that it may yield a supply of able and faithful Ministers, not only to fill the places which, in the course of Providence, become vacant, but also to extend the boundaries of the Church into the regions beyond, where there is still a famine of the word of the Lord.

No. III.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

Charge against the Treasurer.

1858	*Presbytery of London.*	MISSION FUND. $ cts.	INSTITUTE FUND. $ cts.	SYNOD FUND. $ cts.	FOREIGN FUND. $ cts.
July 6	Received from Ingersoll.....	....	....	4 50	.....
" 20	" English Settlement.	15 62½	....	....	....
" "	" Proof Line.....	7 62½	....	....	....
" 22	" Westminister.....	22 00	....	....	....
Oct. 25	" Fullarton & Downie.	8 00	....	....	....
" 30	" Ingersoll	32 00	....	....	....
Nov. 26	" Westminster.....	....	9 00	....	....
" "	" Ingersoll	.....	7 50	....	....
ec. 1	" Westminster.....	22 00	....	....	....
" 6	" Hibbert & Kirkton.	....	5 42	....	....
" "	" Rev. Mr. Waddell..	....	....	3 00	....
" "	" English Settlement..	17 06	9 08½	....	....
" "	" Proof Line.....	7 50	6 00	....	....
" 14	" St. Mary's.....	....	8 00	....	....
1859					
Jan. 19	" Fullarton & Downie.	28 00	....	....	....
Feb'y 4	" St. Mary's, quarter				
" 11	ending 31st Dec..	15 00	....	....	....
" "	" Bethel Proof Line..	7 87	....	....	....
" "	" English Settlement.	13 07	....	....	....
" 16	" Westminster.....	19 50	....	....	.....
" "	" Do Sab. School Box	9 00	....	....	....
" 26	" Chatham.....	53 00	....	....	....
April 14	" Bethel Proof Line..	5 62	....	....	....
" "	" English Settlement.	14 30	....	....	....
" "	" Harwich.....	13 00	....	....	....
" "	" London.....	27 67	....	....	...
" 28	" Harpurhey.....	24 00	....	....	....
May 12	" St. Mary's.....	13 00	....	....	....
" 24	" Downie	11 00	....	....	....
" "	" Fullarton	14 00	....	....	....
June 14	" Westminster.....	....	....	10 00	....
" "	" Ingersoll.....	....	.....	5 25	....
" "	" Hibbert.....	29 37	....	.....	....
		329 21	45 72½	22 75	.....

1858	*Presbytery of Flamboro'.*	MISSION FUND. $ cts.	INSTITUTE FUND. $ Cts.	SYNOD FUND. $ Cts.	SYNOD FUND. $ Cts.
Sept. 17	Received from St. George	3 50	....	....	....
Oct. 12	" Ayr	....	6 62½	....	....
" "	" Oneida	....	....	3 53	....
" "	" Caled nia	....	....	4 22	....
" "	" Indiana	....	....	3 53	...
" "	" Ancaster Village...	3 60	4 00	....	....

1858	*Presbytery of Flamboro' con.*	MISSION FUND.	INSTITUTE FUND.	SYNOD FUND.	FOREIGN FUND.
Oct. 12	" do. East.....	3 00	4 00	....	....
" "	" do. West	3 80	4 00	....	....
" "	" Chippawa.....	.....	13 00	....	....
" 25	" Ayr.....	16 00	....	....	....
Nov. 20	" Flamboro'.....	40 00	24 00	16 00	....
Dec. 14	" Thorold.....	6 00	....	....	....
" 22	" Caledonia.....	34 40	....	.....	....
" "	" do.	....	6 43	....	....
" "	" Indiana	....	3 20	....	.....
" "	" Oneida	....	3 33	....	....
1859					
Jan. "	" Chippawa	35 92	....	5 08	....
" "	" Crowland.....	....	....	1 28	....
" "	" Indiana	10 62½	.....	....	....
" "	" Oneida	13 50	....	....	....
" "	" Caledonia S. School	2 00	....	....	....
" "	" Beverley.....	....	15 66	....	....
Feb'y 1	" Ayr.....	15 10	....	....	....
" "	" do. Juvenile Society	16 50	....	....	....
" "	" do. Friend to Miss'ns	6 40	....	....	....
" 10	" do. do. do.	5 00	....	....	....
" 11	" Chippawa	6 75	.....	.....	....
" "	" Crowland.....	2 25	.....	....	....
" 21	" Ancaster Village...	8 25	...	....	.....
" "	" do. West....	4 65	.....	....	....
" "	" do. East	5 10	....	....	....
" 23	" Beverly.....	30 00	....	2 87½	.....
" 26	" Hamilton, Lib. $40.	217 00	50 00	....	.....
" "	" Thorold.....	10 00	....	....	....
April 12	" Chippawa.....	11 50	....	....	....
" 19	" Home Fund, Scotln'd	....	780 00	....	....
May 5	" Chippawa	....	....	5 20	....
" "	" Crowland	....	....	1 38	....
" 12	" Ayr	43 00	....	....	.....
" 14	" Drummondville	8 00	....	....	....
" 28	" Flamboro' Presb'y, 2	28 50	8 50	8 50	....
June 6	" St. George.....	37 23½	....	5 00	....
" 13	" Ayr	....	....	5 00	....
" 14	" Caledonia.....	....	....	3 00	....
" "	" Indiana	....	....	3 00	....
" "	" Oneida	....	.....	3 00	....
		627 58	922 74½	70 59½	....

1858	*Presbytery of Toronto.*	MISSION FUND. $ cts.	INSTITUTE FUND. $ Cts.	SYNOD FUND. $ cts.	FOREIGN FUND. $ Cts.
July 13	Received from Richmond Hill.....	58 00	....	....	....
" "	" Dunbarton.....	22 00	....	....	...
Sept. 30	" Erskine Church.....	15 00	....	....	....
Oct. 9	" 1stCon.Chinguacousy	6 00	....	....	....
" "	" 2nd do. do....	4 00	....	....	....
" 12	" Dunbarton.	....	22 00	....	....

1858	*Presbytery of Toronto, continued.*	MISSION FUND. $ Cts	INSTITUTE FUND. $ Cts.	SYNOD FUND. $ Cts.	MISSION FUND. $ Cts.
Nov. 4	Received from West Gwillimbury.	7 66½	....	....	....
" "	" Essa.....	8 43½	....	....	....
" 11	" Vaughan.....	....	6 00	....	....
" "	" Albion.....	....	5 00	....	....
" 26	" Gould Street Con....	....	40 00	....	....
" "	" Caledon&Orangev'le	.....	8 40	....	....
" 27	" Richm'ndhill, Thornhill & King	....	17 00	8 00	.....
Dec. 1	" Erskine Church....	....	12 25	....	....
1859					
Jan. 17	" Caledon&Orangev'le	7 15	....	....	....
Feb. 10	" Caledon.....	9 00	....	....	....
" "	" Tecumseth.....	8 00	....	....	....
" "	" do. A Friend.	1 00	....	....	....
" 16	" Essa	54 00	.....	....	....
Feb. 16	Received from Bay Street Con....	21 35	.....	....	....
"	" Vaughan.....	11 00	....	....	....
" "	" Albion.....	7 00	....	....	....
" "	" Gould Street Con...	40 00	....	....	....
" "	" do. S. School	24 00	.....	....	....
" 21	" 1st Congre. Toronto Township for 1858	7 41	....	....	....
" "	" 2nd do. do. ..	2 90	....	....	....
" "	" 1st do. do. 1859	8 52½	....	....	....
" "	" 2nd do. do. do.	12 16½	....	....	....
Mar. 5	" Dunbart'n & Canton	20 00	....	....	....
" 23	" West Gwillimbury..	48 00	....	....	....
Apr. 23	" Tecumseth.....	.....	....	4 00	....
May 24	" Vaughan	.....	....	3 00	....
" "	" Albion	.....	.....	2 00	....
June 4	" West Gwillimbury..	16 00	....	....	....
" 14	" Dunbart'n & Canton	.....	....	26 00	....
" "	" Gould Street Con...	.....	....	12 00	....
		418 60	110 75	55 00	

1858.	*Presbytery of Huron.*	MISSION FUND. $ Cts.	INSTITUTE FUND. $ Cts.	SYNOD FUND. $ Cts.	FOREIGN FUND. $ Cts.
Aug. 3	Received from McKillop.....	16 80	....	3 60	.....
Oct. 27	" "	21 20	....	....	....
1859.					
Feb. 4	" "	20 00	3 25	....	.....
" 26	" Warrensville	39 00	....	....	....
" "	" Thames Road.....	11 00	....	.....	....
" '	" Goderich, Stud. Lib.$2	10 00	3 00	2 00	....
Mar. 15	" " "	4 00	3 00	1 00	....
May 12	" " "	4 00	2 00	1 00	....
June 14	" ' "	....	4 07	3 70	....
		$126 00	$15 32	11 30	00 00

1859	*Presbytery of Canada East.*	MISSION FUND. $ Cts.	INSTITUTE FUND. $ Cts.	SYNOD FUND. $ Cts.	FOREIGN FUND. $ Cts.
Jan'y 10	Received from A Lady, member of Madrid Con., U.S.	110 00	....	....	....
Mar. 5	" Madrid Con., U. S..	72 53	....	....	....
" 28	" Montreal.....	200 00	....	....	....
June 14	" do.	.....	20 00	20 00	....
		382 53	20 00	20 00	
	Presbytery of Lanark.				
1858					
Dec. 2	Received from Miss. Society Smith's Falls.....	40 00	....	....	....
1859					
Apr. 2	" do. . do...	28 00	12 00	....	....
		68 00	12 00		

1858.	*Presbytery of Durham.*	MISSION FUND $ Cts.	INSTITUTE FUND. $ Cts.	SYNOD FUND. $ Cts	FOREIGN FUND. $ Cts.
April 23	Received from Clarke.....	....	....	6 00	48 00
June 4	" Rev. John Scott.....	....	....	6 00	....
Sept. 11	" Whitby	....	....	10 00	.....
Nov. 16	" Columbus and Brooklyn	....	23 50	.....	....
Dec. 1	" Tecumseth	....	9 00	....	....
1859.					
Feby. 4	" Clarke.....	80 00	32 00	8 00	60 00
" "	" Emily.....	40 00	....	..	....
Mar. 12	" Newton	90 00	....	8 00	....
" 15	" Do. Library, $4.....	....	20 00	..	....
" 17	" Columbus and Brooklyn	47 00	....	8 00	....
" "	" Prince Albert.....	7 00	....	..	....
" 20	" Newcastle.....	20 00	4 00	4 00	....
June 6	" Prince Albert.....	..	....	2 75	....
" 11	" Napanee.....	16 00	4 00	....	....
" 14	" Whitby.....	10 00	10 00	....	....
		$310 00	102 50	52 75	108 00

1858.	*Presbytery of Wellington.*	MISSION FUND. $ Cts.	INSTITUTE FUND. $ Cts	SYNOD FUND. $ Cts.	FOREIGN FUND. $ Cts.
June 4	Rec'd- from Rev. John Duff.....	8 00	....	....	....
Nov. 12	" Guelph	.....	18 43	....	....
" 24	" Esquesing	.....	5 00	....	.....
Dec. 22	" Eramosa	....	17 00	.....	....
1859.			....	....	....
Jan. 1	" Elora	.....	8 00	....	....

	Presbytery of Wellington, con.	MISSION FUND.	INSTITUTE FUND.	SYNOD FUND.	FOREIGN FUND.
1859					
Jan. 13	" Esquesing	5 00	....	....	....
" 19	" Galt	....	11 00	....	....
" 27	" Guelph	23 00	....	....	....
" "	" Do Juv. Society	13 00	....	....	....
Feb. 10	" Eramosa	15 00	....	.....	....
" 22	" Galt	45 00	....	....	.....
April 9	" Eramosa	48 00	....	....	....
		$157 00	59 53	00 00	00 00

1858	*Presbytery of Brant.*	MISSION FUND.	INSTITUTE FUND.	SYNOD FUND.	FOREIGN FUND,
		$ Cts.	$ Cts.	$ Cts.	$ Cts.
Aug. 9	Received from Miss Rogers	3 00	....	....	....
Sept. 15	" Paris	20 00	....	10 00	....
" 30	" Mount Pleasant	14 65	....	....	....
Nov. 5	" Glenmorris	....	8 50	....	....
Dec. 1	" Mr- A. Rogers, West Dumfries	5 00	....	....	....
1859					
Jan. 19	" Easthope	18 00	....	....	.....
Mar. 17	" Glenmorris	25 00	....	....	....
" 26	" Paris (Students $20)	30 00	20 00	5 00	....
May 11	" Tilsonburgh	22 00	....	....	....
" "	" Culloden	12 00	...	....	....
" 19	" Stratford	11 30	....	....	....
" "	" Shakspeare	13 40	....	....	....
June 14	" Glenmorris	....	....	13 00	....
		174 35	28 50	28 00	

1858	*Presbytery af Grey.*	MISSION FUND.	INSTITUTE FUND.	SYNOD FUND.	FOREIGN FUND.
		$ Cts.	$ Cts.	$ Cts.	$ Cts.
Aug. 23	Received from Lake Shore	....	....	3 40	....
Oct. 12	" Leith	....	4 45	....	....
Nov. 1	" Walkerton	13 50	.....	....	....
" "	" North Brant	8 50	....	....	....
" 5	" Owen Sound	....	14 00	....	....
1859					
Jan'y 3	" Do.	86 54	....	10 00	....
Feb. 16	" Walkerton	12 25	....	....	....
" "	" North Brant	7 75	....	....	....
April 30	" Owen Sound	....	....	8 50	....
" "	" Lake Shore	....	18 00	....	....
June 14	" Leith	....	....	1 75	....
		128 54	36 45	23 65	

ABSTRACT OF MISSION FUND.	$ Cts.	$ Cts
Balance in hand 4th June, 1858	...	570 31
Presbytery of London, collected during past year,	329 21	....
" Flamboro, " "	627 58	....
" Canada East, " "	418 60	....
" Toronto, " "	382 53	....
" Lanark, " "	68 00	....
" Durham " "	310 00	....
" Wellington " "	157 00	....
" Brant " "	174 35	....
" Grey " "	128 54	....
" Huron " "	126 00	....
Interest during the year	45 10	....
		2766 91
		3337 22

DISCHARGE.

		$ Cts.	$ Cts.
1858			
July 28	Paid Rev. S. Balmer,	59 00	....
" "	" " William Clarke	32 40	....
" "	" " W. C. Young	77 25	....
" "	" James Fraser, Catechist	76 43	....
" "	" Rev. J. F. A. S. Fayette	21 80	....
	" Exchange and Postage	1 46	.....
Aug 24	" Rev. John Patterson	16 20	.....
" 30	" " Jas. Caldwell	100 00	.....
" "	" " Daniel Todd	65 00	.....
" "	" Rev. Walter Scott	100 30	.....
" "	Expenses do.	85	.....
Oct. 12	" Rev Mr. Barrie, attending Committee	4 00	.....
Nov. 13	" Printing Missionary Papers	8 00	....
" "	" Rev. R. Torrance, attending meeting	11 00	.....
" 26	" 1000 Subscription Lists	9 00	.....
" "	" 3000 United Ch. Tracts, and 300 Circulars	11 00	....
1859			.....
Jan 3	" Rev. James Gibson, attending meeting	21 00	.....
Feb. 22	" " John Dunbar	1 00	.....
March 1	" " Patrick Greig	87 75	.....
" "	" James Fraser, Catechist	54 09	.....
" "	" Rev. Daniel Todd	118 00	.....
" "	" " Gilbert Tweedie	96 26	.....
" "	" " Walter Scott	102 33	.....
" "	" " James Howie	41 00	.....
" "	" John Patterson	43 25	.....
" "	" " J. F. A. S. Fayette	20 60	... .
	" Cheques and orders	2 15	.....
" 12	" Rev. William Clarke,	90 00	.....
" 14	" Printing on Mission Business	7 50	.....
April 30	" Rev. Robert Moffatt	42 90	.....
" "	" " William Peattie	72 75	.....
	" Supplement Con. Culross	78 17	.....
May 20	" " Riversdale	82 83	.....
" "	" Orders	1 55	.....
" "	" Rev. William Fletcher	37 25	....
" "	" R. Torrance	40 00	.....
" "	" " attending meetings	7 00	.....
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